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February 19, 1986

Mr. Arnaud ~~de~~ Borchgrave
Editor-in-Chief
~~The Washington Times~~
3600 New York Avenue, N.E.
Washington, D. C. 20002

Dear Arnaud:

Following receipt of your letter of February 14th, I asked Assistant Director Bill Baker to be in touch with you to clear up any misunderstanding and to see what could be done to accommodate your request. I am sure it can be worked out and that you will understand the difficulties that are sometimes involved in setting up open-ended sessions. You are always welcome, as was Alexandra. It was a pleasure having her at the office and at my home (incidentally, a first in eight years).

Sincerely,

William H. Webster
Director

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April 23, 1986

Mr. Arnaud de Borchgrave
Editor-in-Chief
The Washington Times
3600 New York Avenue, N. E.
Washington, D. C. 20002

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Dear Mr. de Borchgrave:

Thank you for your recent telephone invitation for Director Webster to appear before a luncheon meeting of your Editorial Board. Unfortunately, due to the very serious national events involving the FBI over the past few weeks, The Director's schedule has become overly crowded with priority matters making the scheduling of a meeting before your board improbable in the near future.

As much as I would like to be able to commit the Director to such a meeting, I must ask your understanding of the demands on his time at this juncture. In the alternative, may I suggest that you and an editor of your choice join John McCaslin and Bill Gertz who are scheduled to interview Director Webster on Wednesday, April 30, at 3 p.m. I hope this meets your approval and I'm looking forward to joining in what promises to be an interesting and important interview of Director Webster.

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Please contact Supervisory Special Agent [redacted] in the Press Office, telephone 324-3691 with your decision or for additional information.

Sincerely,

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William M. Baker
Assistant Director
Office of Congressional
and Public Affairs

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November 25, 1988

Mr. Arnaud de Borchgrave
Editor in Chief
The Washington Times
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Washington, D.C. 20002

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Dear Mr. de Borchgrave:

I read with pleasure the article about the FBI tour by [redacted] in your November 3rd edition and wanted to drop you a short note of thanks.

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We are very proud of the FBI tour and we try to provide a realistic glimpse of our operations since the tour may be the only contact most of our visitors will have with their FBI. [redacted] touched upon many of the special features of the tour and his comments were most generous. We were glad to have him as our guest, and I hope you will let him know how much we appreciate his article.

Sincerely yours,

William S. Sessions

William S. Sessions
Director

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- 1 - Tour Room - Enclosure
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NOTE: Arrangements were made through the Press Office to have [redacted] tour our facilities. The Director requested an appropriate "thank-you" letter for the article which appeared in "The Washington Times" on 11-3-88 entitled "FBI tour provides a peek at operation."

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Mr. Arnaud de Borchgrave
Editor-in-Chief
The Washington Times
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Dear Arnaud:

I was disappointed when I read your December 6th editorial, "An FBI failure in Pakistan," which concerns the FBI's investigation of the crash of an aircraft in Pakistan, in which the Pakistani President, the U.S. Ambassador, a U.S. Army Brigadier General, and 28 others were killed. Because of the criticism in your editorial, I instituted an inquiry into the conduct of the Special Agents who went to Pakistan. I am pleased to inform you of my findings.

Despite difficulties inherent in conducting an investigation in a foreign country ten months after the fact, our investigation, which is still pending, has been thorough and complete, given the circumstances. Experienced FBI investigators knowledgeable in extraterritorial criminal investigations were utilized in this investigation and, I assure you, were totally dedicated to this investigation.

All evidence offered was readily accepted and physical evidence received was sent to the FBI Laboratory for examination. Our Agents interviewed all available witnesses and attempted for two weeks to identify additional witnesses.

It was discouraging to see our efforts under such unusual and difficult circumstances characterized in your paper as a "failure." This was not an accurate portrayal of our work in this case and a disservice to the Special Agents who worked so diligently on this investigation.

Sincerely,

~~William S. Sessions~~

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William S. Sessions
Director

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1 - Mr. Revell - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Ahlerich - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Baker - Enclosure
1 - [REDACTED] - Enclosure
1 - Press Office - Enclosure
1 - [REDACTED] - Enclosure

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NOTE: Reply discussed with SSA [] Counterterrorism Section, CID. The Press Office has advised that the reporter on this editorial, [] contacted Mr. Revell's Office and was very uncooperative when referred to the Press Office.

Approved: *1/29* Adm. Servs. _____ Legal Coun. _____ Off. of Liaison
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